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FOLLOWING REPEAT CALCUTTA 2013 SENT ACTION NEW DELHI
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QUOTE:

C O N F I D E N T I A L CALCUTTA 2013

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINT, IN
SUBJ: NO CPI/CPM FRONT

1. DILIP BOSE, A PROMINENT CALCUTTA CPI FIGURE, CAME TO RECEPTION I HELD YESTERDAY EVENING FOR AMBASSADOR DALE, AND I WAS ABLE TO TAKE HIM ASIDE AND TALK BRIEFLY ABOUT THE CPI AND THE CPM. BOSE SAID THAT TALKS BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES BROKE DOWN SEVERAL WEEKS BACK. THE MAIN DIFFICULTY WAS RELATIONS WITH CONGRESS; CPM WOULD NOT JOIN A FRONT WITH CONGRESS AND CPI WOULD NOT JOIN ONE WITHOUT CONGRESS. BOSE SAID FEELING RUNS VERY STRONG ON THIS ISSUE IN BOTH PARTIES AND IT IS NOW VIRTUALLY CERTAIN THAT THERE WILL BE NO CPI/CPM FRONT OR ALLIANCE. CPM WANTS TO REMAIN A "PURE OPPOSITION PARTY", BOSE SAID, BUT HE THOUGHT IT WOULD STAY WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF LEGAL OPPOSITION.

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2. I NOTED RECENT INSTANCES OF FRICTION BETWEEN CPI AND

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CONGRESS, INCLUDING AN ATTACK ON THE CPI BY CHIEF MINISTER RAY IN AN ADDRESS IN MIDNAPORE TWO WEEKS AGO, AND ASKED WHY THE CPI HOLDS SO STRONGLY TO ITS ASSOCIATION WITH CONGRESS. BOSE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THERE IS MUCH UNHAPPINESS IN CPI WITH MRS. GANDHI AND CONGRESS. HE SAID THAT IN HIS VIEW CPI'S POSITION IS "RESULT OF INTERNATIONAL FACTORS." I GATHERED THAT THIS WAS MARXIST JARGON FOR SAYING THAT THE CPI IS STAYING CLOSE TO MRS. GANDHI

AND CONGRESS BECAUSE THE SOVIETS WANT THEM TO.
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